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SUBJ: EARLY WARNING, COLOMBIAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS PROJECT

THE COLOMBIAN NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS AGENCY (TELECOM) IS PLANNING A NATIONWIDE EXPANSION OF TELEPHONE SERVICE ESTIMATED TO COST US\$52 MILLION. ESTIMATED FOREIGN EXCHANGE COMPONENT IS US\$33.5 MILLION EQUIVALENT AND TELECOM HAS APPLIED FOR A \$15 MILLION LOAN FROM THE WORLD BANK. THE PROJECT CONSISTS OF THE INSTALLATION OF:

A) ABOUT 18,000 ADDITIONAL LINES OF SWITCHING EQUIPMENT, CABLES AND SUBSCRIBERS PLANT, TO CONNECT ABOUT 16,000 ADDITIONAL SUBSCRIBERS;

B) LONG DISTANCE EQUIPMENT FOR ABOUT 5,400 ADDITIONAL CIRCUITS;

C) TELEX EQUIPMENT TO CONNECT 500 ADDITIONAL SUBSCRIBERS; AND \$) CALL OFFICE TELEPHONE FACILITIES IN ABOUT 200 RURAL AREAS. TELECOM'S STAFF WILL DO ENGINEERING DESIGNS AND, WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF TECH CONSULTANTS WILL PREPARE BID DOCUMENTS AND TECH SPECIFICATIONS, EVALUATE BIDS, AND DRAW UP CONTRACTS FOR GOODS. ALL GOODS PROVIDED UNDER THE PROJECT FOR WORLD BANK FINANCING WILL BE PROCURED THROUGH INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING, EXCEPT THE EXTENSIONS TO EXISTING EXCHANGES, VALUED AT US\$2.6 MILLION, THAT ARE BEING OBTAINED FROM THE CONTRACTOR WHO SUPPLIED THE ORIGINAL

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EQUIPMENT. OTHERIMPORTED GOODS TO BE FINANCED BY TELECOM WILL

BE PROCURED BY NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE SUPPLIERS AND THROUGH COMPETITIVE BIDDING.

TELECOM WILL LAY ALL DISTRIBUTION CABLES AND WILL SUPERVISE CONSTRUCTION OF CABLE DUCTS AND BUILDINGS CONSTRUCTED BY LOCAL CONTRACTORS. ALL TELEPHONE AND TRANSMISSION EQUIPMENT IN NEW LOCATIONS WILL BE INSTALLED BY THE SUPPLIERS WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF TELECOM STAFF. EXTENSIONS TO EXISTING PLANT WILL BE INSTALLED BY TELECOM, WHICH WILL ALSO CARRY OUT ACCEPTANCE TESTS OF ALL INSTALLED EQUIPMENT. WHITE

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